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From the Leiden Gazette, dated April 12.

THey write from Naples of the 20th of laſt Month, That the Viceroy holds frequent Councils to find out means not only to keep under the Partiſans of the Houſe of Auſtria who are very Numerous in that Country, but likewiſe to provide for the Defence of the Kingdom in caſe of an Invaſion; to which end he has caus'd Baya and ſeveral other Maritime Places to be fortified, and in one Place on the Coaſt has caus'd a Line to be drawn to hinder the Landing of any Men out of the Engliſh and Dutch Squadron that is expected in the Mediterranean. The Preſident Garofalo having been to view the Condition of the City of Aquila, on his return to Naples made his Report, that 'tis utterly ruin'd and become a Heap of Stones, and 'tis computed 7000 Perſons periſh'd in it. The Duke d'Atri has caus'd ſome Companies of Soldiers to march thither, to prevent the Banditti from Stealing what may be recover'd out of the Ruines, and for the Security of thoſe Perſons that eſcap'd in that Earthquake. Corn and other Neceſſaries is ſent thither likewiſe, becauſe moſt of the ſurviving Inhabitants, having loſt all they had, are reduc'd to extreme Poverty. Theſe Letters add, that in ſome Places, in the Abruzzo, the Earth open'd in Chaſms 15 Paces wide, out of which iſſue ſtinking Exhalations, inſomuch that the Inhabitants of the Towns of Pizzoli and Fuccine who dwell neareſt to thoſe Holes, not being able to endure the Stench, and beſides fearing it may breed a Plague, withdraw to other Places with their Effects.

Madrid, March 20. The Queen is not yet recover'd of her Fever. Her Majeſty having deſir'd that the Dutcheſs de Bracciano Princeſs of Urſini (whom the King of France lately order'd to retire to Rome) might continue to wait upon her in Quality of the Firſt Lady of Honour, The Cardinal d'Etrees and Portocarero have conſented to it in the Names of her Kings of France and Spain. The King applies himſelf to the Management of State Affairs, and to regulate them by the Model of the Government of France, aſſiſted by the Cardinals d'Etrees and Portocarero: At which the Spaniards in general murmur, and ſeveral Noblemen appear to take Umbrage at the Confidence repos'd by His Majeſty in Cardinal d'Etrees and the Influence that Prelate has over the Spaniſh Councils. The Poverty of the Kingdom augments daily, by reaſon of the Decay of Commerce and for ſeveral other Cauſes. Mean time the new Levies go on ſucceſsfully, and we make Account to have an Army of 25000 Men regular Troops in May. They are to rendezvous near Seville, whither the King will go in Perſon to take a Review of them. There was a Talk that ſome of theſe Troops would be ſent to Flanders through France, but that is become doubtful at preſent, this Court beginning to diſtruſt Portugal. Several Ingeniers are gone from hence to viſit the Fortifications of our Places bordering on Portugal, and to give Orders for their being repair'd.

Rome, March 24. On Sunday laſt the Pope held a Chappel publickly in the Vatican, and perform'd the Ceremony of Bleſſing the Golden Roſe which is uſually ſent every Year to ſome Catholick Prince. And notwithſtanding he has a Swelling in his Legs, went afterwards with a Numerous Cavalcade to the Church of St. Laurence in Damaſo, where the Devotions appointed for returning Thanks to Heaven, for Delivering this City from the Dangers of the late Earthquake, were concluded. Mean time the Earth has been felt to move in ſeveral Places of the Eccleſiaſtical State, by which many Houſes have been thrown down at Narni, Caſtel Gondolfo, Fraſcati, Albano, and Gianzono; and on Thursday laſt we had a Shog here, but it was not ſo violent as to do any hurt. A Poliſh Biſhop is arriv'd here, who being admitted to Audience of the Pope, deliver'd him a Letter from the King of Poland, in which he aſſures His Holyneſs that he is ready to Sacrifice his Life and Fortune to defend the Roman Catholick Religion in that Country. To which the Pope has return'd a kind Anſwer; and has written to the Cardinal Primate to forward the good Intentions of His Poliſh Majeſty, and eſpouſe his Intereſt. His Holyneſs gives great Application to Buſineſs, tho' his Phyſitians do all they can to perſwade him to indulge his Eaſe and reſt more, repreſenting that otherwiſe they cannot hope to recover him out of his ill State of Health. Mean time, he is mightly fallen away, his Indiſpoſition in his Legs putting him frequently to extream Pain; and this has occaſion'd an Opinion among the Cardinals that he cannot live long, nay ſecret Conferences have been held at Cardinal Ottoboni's Palace, between his Eminency and the Cardinals Acciaioli, Mareſcoti, and Spada, about chooſing a New Pope on the Death of this. The Great Duke of Tuſcany has written to his Agent here, that the Palace in which the Cardinal de Medicis his Brother takes up his Reſidence in Rome, being His Highneſs's own, he will have no other Arms than the Pope's put over the Gate: And 'tis diſcours'd that to avoid abſolutely all Engagements to either Party now at War in Italy, the Cardinal de Medicis will quit the Office of Protector of the Crowns of France and Spain.

Trent, April 2. By the Earthquake in January laſt, a great Sciſſure was made in the Mountain of Tremiſine, ſo that from time to time ſome of the Top crumbled off; And on the 19th of laſt Month in ſtill Weather, part of that Mountain, over againſt Malceſine, fell down into the Lake of Garda. The Noiſe of the Fall was terrible. The Water of the Lake ſunk 2 Rod from the Shore, and then ſwell'd and paſs'd over its Banks 2 Rod, which it did thrice, and then ſetled a Rod and half beneath its uſual Height. The Barks at Porto had like to have been loſt, for their Cables breaking they were toſs'd about by the Waves, which ran very high within the Compaſs of 15 Miles from the Place where the Mountain fell in, tho' there was not a Breath of Wind ſtirring.

A Letter written from Paris dated April 9. relating to the Sevennois, runs thus

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'The Affair of the Sevennes disturbs the King more than any thing that ever happen'd to him in his Life; There are 19 Battallions and some Squadrons sent to that Country already; and 8 or 10 more are sending thither: But 'tis thought all these Troops will not be sufficient. Those that are already in that Country cannot hinder the Excursions and Ravages of the Malecontents on all sides. It is to be apprehended this Affair will produce worse Consequences still, seeing 'tis not purely made a cause of Religion now, for some of the Ancient Catholicks have joyn'd the Camisards. Last Week came Advice that the Inhabitants of 3 Dioceses have risen and taken Arms, pretending at first they did it to defend themselves against the Malecontents. If this Insurrection spread into the Mountains of Auvergne, as it is already in the Vivarez, it will be very difficult with any Number of Troops to suppress it.

From the Amsterdam Gazette, dated April 16.

Amsterdam, April 16. Some Days ago we had an Account from Liege of a strange Action that was done in that City, to which we gave no heed at first; but it being since sufficiently confirm'd, we cannot doubt the Truth of it, and therefore think fit to communicate it to the Publick. The Story is thus related from Liege, in the Letters of the 19th of March, and of the 10th of this Month, 'A Corporal in the Regiment of Prince Albert of Brandenburg, which is garrison'd here, (whose Conscience tormented him for some wicked Action formerly committed) for above a Year earnestly sollicited his Camrade who lodg'd in the same Room with him, to cut him in Pieces. The Soldier, after he had a long time refus'd him, at length yielded to his Request, and executed it on the 16th of March in the following Manner. The Corporal went himself to the Carpenter belonging to the Company, and told him the Captain had sent him for his Hatchet. The Carpenter gave it him; and the Corporal carried it and a Block to his Lodging, where he spread a Cloath on the Floor of his Room, and laid the Block in the Middle of it. Then he call'd his Camrade; and after he had pray'd awhile, he undress'd himself, tuck'd up his Shirt-Sleeves, and laid his Right-hand on the Block, which his Camrade by his Direction chop'd off at the Wrist and likewise his Arm above the Elbow; and after that the Left-hand and Arm in the same Manner; he not shewing the least Concern, or once crying out. He made his Right-foot and then his Right-leg be cut off in the same Manner; but not being able to move himself to place his Left-leg on the Block, he desir'd the Soldier to do it for him, and to dispatch, because he found himself dying, and was desirous to go through with the Execution of his Purpose while he had Life. While this was doing, came in a Washer-woman belonging to the Regiment, who (making an Outry at the Sight of such a Spectacle) some Soldiers bolted in, who advis'd their Fellow Soldier the Executioner of the Corporal, to make his Escape; but he would not, saying he had done well. For this he was taken into Custody and tried by a Council of War, who having regard to the Proof brought by the Soldier that what he had done was in compliance with the Corporal's urgent Sollicitations; and the Evidence of the Washer-woman that the dying Man confess'd the same with his last Breath, The Soldier was sentenc'd to be beheaded only, which was accordingly executed.

Falmouth, April 8. This Day came in the Spanish Alliance Pacquet-Boat with a Mail from Lisbon, who in her Passage homewards took a Tartane, laden with Lemons and Oranges and sent her for Lisbon.

Shields, April 8. Last night above 100 Light Colliers arriv'd here, most of which were Transport Ships from Holland, and 100 laden Colliers wait here for a Convoy to London.

Plymouth, April 9. This Morning came in the Monmouth Man of War from Falmouth, and under her Convoy the Betty Galley of London from Zant, and the Walter Galley of London from Oporto, with 4 French Prizes.

London, April 12. This day arriv'd a Mail from Lisbon, but brings no News that is yet made publick.

Last Night the Earl of Winchelsea arriv'd from Holland.

There is a Report that Monsieur Pointi with six Men of War has fallen in with the Fleet of Merchant Ships convoy'd by 2 Men of War bound hither from Holland. But we are not yet inform'd of any Particulars that may be depended on relating to this Matter.

Lost yesterday in the little House at the Buffalo's Head at Charing-Cross, *a plain new Silver Watch made by* Martin, *whoever brings it to Mr.* Erwin *at the Buffalo's Head at* Charing-Cross *shall have a Guinea Reward, or if it be pawn'd, the Money shall be return'd and Charges.*

AN Indian Man aged about 21 Years, named *Jasper*, his Hair cut close on the top of his Head, and hath some Bunches in his Face, went away on Sonday last from his Master Captain *Whitwell* at Number 22 in *Prescot-street* in *Goodmans-fields*, having Robb'd him of Money and Cloaths. Whosoever speedily secures him, and brings him to his Master aforesaid, shall have Ten Shillings Reward.

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